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CHAPTER 207
SENATE BILL 1401

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 13-4701, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE
CHOP SHOPS.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Section 13-4701, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 13-4701. Definitions

5 In this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires:

6 1. "Chop shop" means any building, lot or other premises in which one
7 or more persons alters, destroys, disassembles, dismantles, reassembles or
8 stores ~~more than~~ AT LEAST one motor vehicle or watercraft or TWO OR MORE
9 motor vehicle or watercraft parts from ~~more than~~ AT LEAST one vehicle or
10 watercraft that the person or persons knows were obtained by theft, fraud or
11 conspiracy to defraud with the intent to:

12 (a) Alter, counterfeit, deface, destroy, disguise, falsify, forge,
13 obliterate or remove the identity of the motor vehicles or motor vehicle
14 parts, including the vehicle identification number for the purpose of
15 misrepresenting or preventing the identification of the motor vehicles or
16 motor vehicle parts.

17 (b) Sell or dispose of the motor vehicles or motor vehicle parts.

18 2. "Motor vehicle" means any self-propelled vehicle.

19 3. "Unidentifiable" means that specially trained investigative
20 personnel who are experienced in motor vehicle theft investigative procedures
21 and motor vehicle identification examination techniques cannot establish the
22 uniqueness of a motor vehicle or motor vehicle part.

23 4. "Vehicle identification number" means the number that the
24 manufacturer or the United States or a state department of transportation
25 assigns to a motor vehicle for the purpose of identifying the motor vehicle
26 or a major component part of the motor vehicle. Vehicle identification
27 number includes any combination of numbers or letters.

28 5. "Watercraft" has the same meaning as prescribed in section 5-301.

APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR APRIL 20, 2001.

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE APRIL 23, 2001.

Passed the House April 16, 2001,

by the following vote: 56 Ayes,

0 Nays, 4 Not Voting

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Speaker of the House

Norman L. Moore
Chief Clerk of the House

Passed the Senate February 28, 2001,

by the following vote: 26 Ayes,

4 Nays, 0 Not Voting

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President of the Senate

Charmine Bellinger
Secretary of the Senate

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA
OFFICE OF GOVERNOR

This Bill was received by the Governor this

16 day of April, 2001,

at 4:53 o'clock P M.

[Signature]
Secretary to the Governor

Approved this 20th day of

April, 2001,

at 6:29 o'clock P M.

[Signature]
Governor of Arizona

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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA
OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE

This Bill was received by the Secretary of State

this 23 day of April, 2001,

at 4:45 o'clock P M.

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Secretary of State